
OBJECTIVE A: CONTROL OVER-FISHING BY DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLANS FOR ALL IMPORTANT ESTUARINE SPECIES.

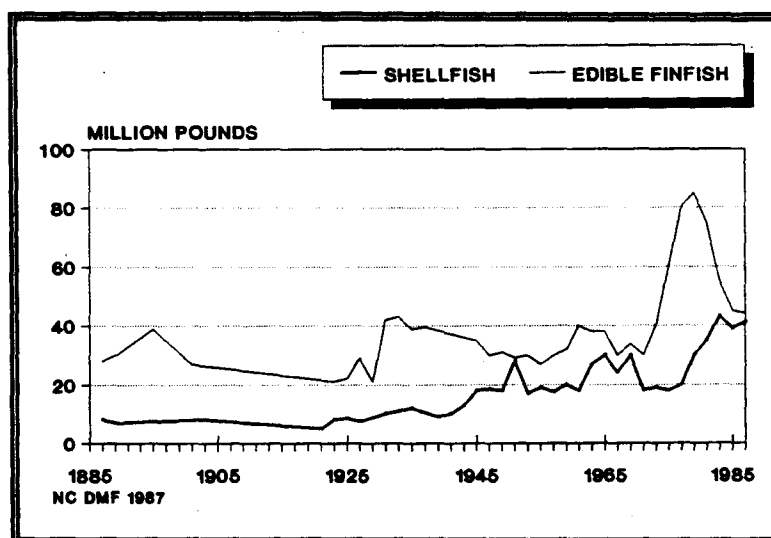


FIGURE 20 TRENDS IN COMMERCIAL LANDINGS
FOR EDIBLE FINFISH & SHELLFISH IN THE APES REGION

Strategy: The Marine Fisheries Commission (MFC) and Wildlife Resources Commission (WRC) would develop management plans, modeled after those currently used at the federal level, to help ensure the long-term availability of important commercial and recreational species. Figures 21 and 22 illustrate commercial and recreational fishing effort which will be considered in the development of fishery management plans. Where necessary, additional management controls would be recommended to conserve the resource. Recent efforts by the Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) to develop a state strategic plan lay a good foundation. However, improved and expanded data collection and analysis are necessary. These could be provided in part by modifying the existing marine fisheries license structure.